

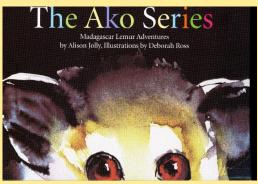
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LCF's Dr. Alison Grand is in Madagascar

LCF Explores New Potential Partnerships and Programs in Madagascar:

Dr. Alison Grand, LCF's Curator of Primates and Conservation, is traveling in Madagascar during February to explore new potential conservation projects. She will visit Anjanaharibe-Sud Special Reserve (ASSR) and meet with Madagascar National Park Staff and Duke Lemur Center's SAVA Conservation Project Director and LCF Scientific Advisor, Dr. Erik Patel to discuss how LCF can further contribute to conservation efforts in ASSR.

This large (270 sqkm), mountainous, and biologically diverse reserve is home to at least 11 species of lemurs, including the critically endangered silky sifaka and indri, which have all black pelage in this region which is unique for this species. Despite its high conservation significance, very little conservation, research, or tourism programs have occurred in the reserve in recent years.

In 2014 LCF supported a project to improve boundary demarcation of the established borders to aid in park protection. We hope to continue working with the National Park Staff and other organizations working in the region to implement conservation priorities for this critically important large reserve.

Alison will also travel to Parc Ivoloina, a zoological facility featuring native wildlife and managed by the Madagascar Flora and Fauna Group, to talk with staff about environmental enrichment for lemurs. In addition, she will visit the Berenty Reserve, where the late Dr. Alison Jolly conducted some of the most influential field work on ring-tailed lemurs. LCF is currently partnering with Alison Jolly's colleague, Dr. Hanta Rasamimanana, to support École Normale Supérieure's Field Training Programs in Madagascar.

LCF is excited about developing these new partnerships and projects to further enhance our mission to support lemur conservation in Madagascar.









Colony Update: Meet Ikoto

Did you know there are only two Sanford's lemurs in captivity in the United States? LCF is the home of the last male Sanford's lemur in captivity- Ikoto (i-cootoo). Ikoto was once one of the best free-ranging lemurs at LCF, but now at 23 years old and completely deaf, Ikoto is living the spoiled life in one of our traditional enclosures with indoor/outdoor access.

In the wild, Sanford's lemurs are listed by the IUCN as endangered, with a decreasing population trend. <u>CLICK HERE to learn more about Sanford's</u>

<u>lemurs and their conservation status.</u>





PTAG Meeting & Workshop

LCF and New College of Florida are hosting a PTAG Meeting & Workshop from 1-6 June at LCF in Myakka City and at New College of Florida in Sarasota.

If you would like to attend the event <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information about hotel accommodations, air travel, and transportation. To make a reservation at the <u>Hilton Garden Inn</u>, follow this link for PTAG group rates. Reserve your rooms by 10 May to ensure the group rates.

Watch our website and social media for information about registration.





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